



St James' CE Primary

NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th April 2026



Message from our Headteacher...

Welcome Back

Welcome back everyone. I cannot quite believe that we are already in the summer term! We have begun the term with a real sense of positivity and reflection across the school. This week during worship, I led a session on "Jesus Today", based on Luke 12:22-34. We spent time exploring the impact that worrying can have on our lives and discussed meaningful ways to offer our worries up to God. It was a powerful and reflective time together, reminding us that God is always with us, guiding us, and that He knows His plans for us. As a school community, we are encouraging one another to be mindful of not letting daily worries interrupt the joy that surrounds us each day.

Choir Success - An Incredible Achievement!

On Friday, our school choir received some incredibly exciting news during a visit from a very special guest, Michael from Last Choir Singing. He came to personally announce that, out of all the choirs who took part in the heats, our choir has been selected to go through to the finals as the organisers' choice, securing the final place in the competition. This is a fantastic achievement and a true testament to the hard work, dedication, and talent of every member of the choir. We are immensely proud of them all; they truly deserve this opportunity and are most definitely a force to be reckoned with. The finals will take place on Wednesday 17th June at the iconic Blackpool Winter Gardens, and we are absolutely thrilled about this incredible opportunity. It is now time to return to rehearsals and ensure we are ready to give our very best on the big stage.

Fundraising for Transport

As the finals are taking place in Blackpool, we will need to fundraise to cover the cost of transport. Please keep an eye on ParentPay, where a donation can be made from next week for anyone who is able to contribute.

This is truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. I am already beyond proud of our amazing children in the choir and of their dedicated choir master, Miss Whaley, whose commitment and passion continues to shine through.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Miss Tindall

Headteacher

Class Page Weekly Updates



Our new website is live! A reminder to check your child's Class Page on the school website each week. Teachers upload a summary of what the children have been learning, along with photos. It's a great way to keep connected with what's happening in the classroom – we hope you enjoy having a peek at the wonderful learning taking place!

Click on the links below:



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



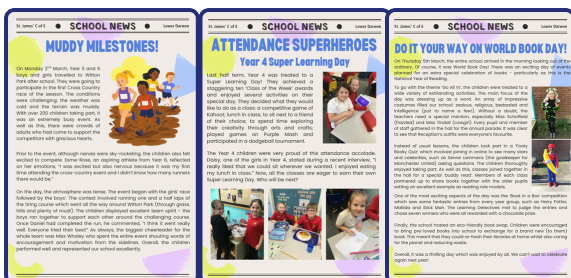
Year 5



Year 6

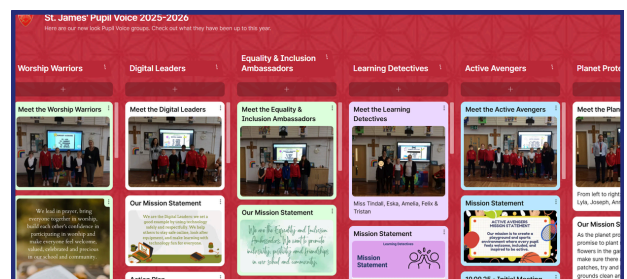
St James' Journalists

Not read the latest newsletter from our St James' Journalists? Click on the picture below...



Pupil Voice

Click on the link below to see what our pupil voice groups have been up to...



Stars of the week

Friday 27th March 2026



YR - Ethan E, Y1 - Lola D, Y2 - Alex M, Y3 - Isabella M, Y4 - Maisie-Rae A, Y5 - Alicia W and Y6 - Lyla C

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YR - Freya T, Y1 - Hunter C, Y2 - Jack P, Y3 - Lewis S
Y4 - Hollie B, Y5 - Johan P and Y6 - Cody W



Coming up...

ST JAMES' PTFA
CHOCOLATE BINGO

BINGO

TUESDAY 21ST APRIL

Two sessions of chocolate bingo in the school hall

Session 1: 3.30-4.30pm
Session 2: 5.00-6.00pm

Come and join us to play chocolate binao!

Club Overview
Summer 7

Monday 3.15-4.15pm KS2 Cricket Coach Joel	Tuesday 8.00-8.40am Choir Miss Whaley	Tuesday 3.15-4.15pm Y5 & Y6 Rounders Miss Bryan
Tuesday 3.15-4.15pm Y3 & Y4 Athletics Mrs Malik	Wednesday 3.15-4.15pm Y1 & Y2 Art Club Mrs Hudson	Thursday 3.15-4.15pm Y5 & Y6 Debate Club Mrs Bibby

Dates for your Diary



April

Friday 17th

PTFA Non-uniform day for chocolate donations

Tuesday 21st

PTFA Chocolate Bingo

Session 1 - 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Session 2 - 5.00pm - 6.00pm

May

Monday 4th

Bank Holiday Monday

Thursday 14th

Showcase & Reception Stay & Play (2pm - 3pm)

Tuesday 19th

Year 4 Stay and Learn (9am - 10am)

Wednesday 20th

YR Class Worship (9am - 9.30am)

Thursday 21st

Gym Jam Jog - PTFA (7.30am - 9am)

For any safeguarding, mental health, wellbeing and family support, please contact Mrs Jacques:

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Useful Links



Family Hub
Online



Blackburn Diocese Centenary Prayer



Heavenly Father,
In our Centenary year
we rededicate ourselves and our Diocese to you.
Send the Holy Spirit to give us confidence in our witness,
generosity in our service, and love for our neighbours,
that your Church may be renewed and many come home to you,
through your Son our saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.